

## CLAIMS

- 5 1. Mounting arrangement ( 13 ) for attaching an electrically powered stapler ( 5 ) mechanically and electrically to a photocopying equipment ( 1 )  
 C H A R A C T E R I S E D I N T H A T the mounting arrangement ( 13 )  
 comprises a mechanical mounting device ( 15 ) for connecting the stapler  
 ( 5 ) to the photocopying equipment ( 1 ), which mounting device ( 15 )  
 10 comprises a first attachment piece ( 16 ) connected to the stapler and a  
 second attachment piece ( 17 ) connected to the photocopying equipment,  
 and an electrical mounting device ( 26 ) for connecting the stapler  
 electrically to a power supply ( 23 ), which mounting devices ( 15 ) and ( 26 )  
 comprising an integrated unit.
- 15 2. Mounting arrangement ( 13 ) in accordance with claim 1 C H A R A C T  
 E R I S E D I N T H A T the mechanical attachment pieces ( 16 ) and  
 ( 17 ) are provided with a guide arrangement consisting of guide rails  
 ( 20, 21 ) integral with one of the attachment pieces ( 16 alt. 17 ) and guide  
 20 runners ( 18, 19 ) integral with the other attachment piece ( 17 alt. 16 ) and  
 which guide rails and runners engage with each other when the stapler ( 5 )  
 is mounted in the photocopying equipment ( 1 ).
- 25 3. Mounting arrangement ( 13 ) in accordance with claim 2, C H A R A C T  
 E R I S E D I N T H A T the mechanical mounting device ( 15 )  
 comprises a snap-action latch ( 27, 28, 29 ) which secures the two attachment  
 pieces ( 16, 17 ) to each other when the said parts are connected.
- 30 4. Mounting arrangement ( 13 ) in accordance with any of the foregoing  
 claims C H A R A C T E R I S E D I N T H A T the electrical mounting  
 device ( 26 ) comprises a first connecting part ( 24 ) attached to one of the  
 mechanical attachment pieces ( 16 alt. 17 ) and a second connecting part  
 ( 25 ) attached to the other mechanical attachment piece ( 17 alt. 16 ), and  
 that the said first and second connecting parts are joined to form an  
 35 electrically connection when the mechanical attachment pieces are  
 assembled together.